

Master thesis "Reflections on the parliamentary elections in 1946 in the contemporary printed media" analysis the way six most influential newspapers of the time reported on those important elections. The relevant dailies are Rude pravo, Svobodne slovo, Pravo lidu and Lidova demokracie and two formally non-partisan papers Prace and Mlada fronta. This thesis explores the instruments of political propaganda four party dailies frequently used and how they described the political actions of political rivals. At the end of the thesis these four party-affiliated newspapers are compared mutually. We also deals with the issue whether the two formally non-partisan dailies Prace and Mlada fronta sided with the any individual political party. All six newspapers are studied during the tree weeks before the elections and another three weeks after the elections. This master thesis also stresses the importance of the description of the contemporary society, political and media context and uncovers also a number of facts that can complement the general historical knowledge about the given time. The study of the selected dailies for instance clearly shows that non-communist dailies (especially Svobodne slovo and Lidova demokracie) warned, as early as before the elections, against the possibility of the communist post-election coup in case of a really good outcome for the Communist Party.